

**Utah Special Education Advisory Panel**  
**Minutes**  
**October 10, 2006**

**Present:** Roz Welch, Lisa Davenport, Annabelle Evans, Melanie Hatch, Michelle Griner, Aubrey Goodell, Eden Gillespie, Nancy Morrill, Pamela Smith, Sue Hirase, Ami Neff, Stephanie Rich, Linda Smith, Teri Beck, Mark Thompson, Kris Rice, Taryn Springer, Nan Gray, Cal Newbold, Connie Nink, Rebecca Donovan

**Welcome and Introductions:** Ami Neff thanked everyone attending.

**Unique Student Identifier:** Cal Newbold gave a report on the Statewide Student Identifier (SSID---unique student identifier) and the process that was implemented two years ago to allow the school system to better follow and track students throughout their school years. System transaction between the LEA and USOE allows for a New student to be added to the public education system, retrieval of SSID of an existing student (transfer), update attributes of an existing student, and validation of existing student (make sure the LEA and USOE SSID data agree). Care is taken to insure that the security of the system is maintained. Users are required to apply for SSID system in writing to USOE.

**Procedural Safeguards:** Nan Gray reported that a graduate student has agreed to do a readability study of the procedural safeguards document vs. the legal aspects of the document. The results of her study will be available at a later date.

**Approval of Minutes:** The minutes of the summer workshop were submitted for approval.

**Motion:** Stephanie Rich – Move the minutes of the summer workshop be approved as submitted.

**Second:** Linda Smith  
Motion Passed.

**Annual Report:** Stephanie Rich presented committee members present with copies of the Annual Report for FY 05 – 06.

**Motion:** Teri Beck – Move that the committee accept the Annual Report.

**Second:** Nancy Morrill  
Motion Passed.

**Nominations:** Rebecca Donovan explained that we had the name of a new representative from Adult Corrections and an as yet unnamed representative from Foster Care that need to be approved. (Representatives are required from these agencies and they put forth the names of the individuals from their staff to serve on USEAP).

**Motion:** Sue Hirase – Move we present the names to Superintendent Harrington for appointment to USEAP.

**Second:** Kris Rice  
Motion Passed.

Rebecca passed out nominations received from interested parties to fill the position left vacant when Colleen Riley moved. Colleen represented Building Administrators (Local Education Agency Official). The nominations were discussed and a vote was taken and a motion followed.

**Motion:** Mark Thompson - Move we present David Turner's name to Superintendent Harrington for appointment to USEAP.

**Second:** Taryn Springer  
Motion Passed.

**Special Education Rules:** Nan Gray reported that Lisa Arbogast and Karen Kowalski are hard at work on the new special education rules. It is hoped that the draft rules ready by the end of December and hold the first public hearing in February. If all goes well the new rules should be ready by May and in place for the new school year 2007 – 08.

**SPP Indicators** – Connie Nink, Preschool Coordinator, reported that OSEP has 5 new reporting categories for preschool:

- % of children who did not improve functioning.
- % of children who improved functioning but not sufficient to move nearer to functioning comparable to same-aged peers.
- % of children who improved functioning to a level nearer to same-aged peers but did not reach it. (Improved developmental trajectory.)
- % of children who improved functioning to reach a level comparable to same-aged peers. (Gap closers).
- % of children who maintained functioning at a level comparable to same-age peers.

Indicator 12 – Transition – Percent of children referred by Part C prior to age 3, who are found eligible for Part B, and who have an IEP developed and implemented by their third birthdays. The target must be 100% by 2010.

Indicator 6 – Least Restrictive Environment – Percent of preschool children with IEPs who received special education and related services in settings with typically developing peers (e.g., early childhood settings, home, and part-time early childhood special education settings).

**State of the State:** Nan Gray reported that the Legislative Task Force has met and that a High Cost Building Block request has been submitted to the State Board. A request is also being made that would allow retiring teachers to go back to the same district and serve in areas of critical shortages.

Nan also reported that the SLP Shortages Committee has met and USEAP's letter went to them.

Nan reported that Sopris West was looking into the possibility of holding s Summer Institute in Utah.

The Tiered Instruction Manual received final board Approval.

**Review of Priorities:** Ami Neff reported that the following were determined to be discussion topics for the upcoming USEAP Meetings:

- Consistency of Special Education Services
- Transition and Sustained Services
- State of the Special Education Rules
- Deafblind State Plan.

The tentative schedule for the topics is as follows:

- December – Deafblind State Plan
- February – Draft Special Education Rules – Public Hearing on Rules
- Transition
- May Consistency of Services

**Motion:** Eden Gillespie – Move the meeting be adjourned

**Second:** Roz Welch

Motion Passed.

**Meeting Adjourned**

**Next meeting: December 2006`**